

NEARLY READY FOR THE JURY

**Testimony for the Defense in the Border
Murder Case Concluded Yesterday.**

**One More Witness to Be Examined Monday
then the Attorneys Will Ventilate the Evi-
dence and the Judge Deliver His Charge.**

**Straight Story Told by Miss Emma Bor
den in Behalf of Her Sister.**

**She Had No Quarrel with Lizzie in the Police
Station—The "Painted" Dress and Why
It Was Burned—Views of Lawyers.**

EMMA BORDEN TESTIFIES.
She Tells About the Burned Dress and the Interview at the Police Station.
NEW BEDFORD, Mass., June 16.—The most sensational and mysterious murder case New England has known will soon be given to the jury. This afternoon, at 8:30 o'clock, the defense in the Borden trial rested its case.
There was less of a crowd at the court house this morning, at the resumption of the trial, than there has been at any time since it was commenced. Among the early visitors was Miss Emma Borden, who, it was understood, was to be called by the defense, although she was down as a government witness. Miss Lizzie Borden told ex-Governor Robinson, as he greeted her this morning, that she had not passed

came with a cheering smile that she would feel better by and by. The decision relative to the admission of the evidence of the Portuguese who saw the man with the bloody hatchet talking to himself about "poor Mr. Borden," was, in order, the first thing, and when the jury had been polled counsel entered into a consultation with the justices upon some point which the latter desired more clearly. Following this the court said it was clear that the evidence was admissible.

The first witness to-day was Sarah H. Hart. She testified to having passed the Borden house on the morning of the day of the murder, about 9:30 a. m., on the day of the murders," said Judge Foster. Mr. Borden's house with my sister-in-law, Mrs. Manley. We passed by the north gate, and stopped there to speak to my nephew, who was going to school. He told me that he saw a young man standing in the gateway. It was not Mr. Borden. He was resting his head on his elbow on the gatepost. I was passing him at the time, and did not know who he was there. He did not change his position that I noticed. He turned his head to look at me. I did not know the man."

After her testimony, the next witness, Frank River, next testified. He said: "I recall the day officer Allen put me on guard at the side door of the Borden house. That was after we had been in the house, and before the shooting began." Lizzy

Miss Lizzie was sitting in a rocking-chair and the others seemed to be working over the floor and the walls, and rubbing the floor. I was close to her all the time. She appeared to be somewhat distressed. I saw no signs of blood on her head, hair, hands, or dress. By this witness it was proved that the bloody handprints were made at the Borden house and in the barn when Lizzie is said to have been during the murders, and where officer Medley afterwards subsequently went and could find no blood. The Borden case is closed.

THE "GIVE-AWAY" STORY UNTRUE.

John J. Manning, a Fall River newspaper reporter, was next called. He said to first heard of the Borden murder some time before 11:30 o'clock, and examined the house and premises, finding the cellar door closed. Said the witness: "I remember

I also had an interview with her. I think it was the same night of the shooting. She told me she didn't know what she said there was nothing in it. I wanted to know whether it was true or not and I wanted a negative or affirmative statement from her. But she said she was another person with me, did not want the story to her, but told her what Mrs. Rangan I was local reporter for the Associated Press, and it was in that capacity that she gave me the information about the falsity of that story. Another newspaperman was with me for the same purpose.

Thomas F. Hickey, another reporter at Fall River, next testified. He said: "I went down to the jail house in Fall River on Friday about the story referred to by Mr. Manning. I said, 'Now you're getting around here.'"

"She said yes," he said, "but they have got to take him back." I asked her about the alleged quarrel between Lizzie and Emma, and she said she knew nothing about it. She said she had repeated any words of the sisters, and also if there was any truth in

Mr. Mary R. Holmes, Fall River, wife of Charles J. Holmes, said she knew Miss Lizzie and had known her since she was in childhood. She is a member of the church I attend. I first heard of the Jordan murder in 1935 or '36. I went to the kitchen and told her about it in the kitchen. Some one told me soon after that Lizzie would like to see me. I remained in the house with Lizzie until 1937, when she was released. I heard of the Keegan's quarrel story. After it was published I had a talk with Mrs. Keegan about it. She first spoke to me about it in 1937. Miss Holmes said she was not sure for that was the time we were talking about the eggs. Subsequently I heard Mrs. Keegan say that she would sign a statement that she had been talking to Lizzie at this time I was in the matron's room, and she made no statement, as she returned after having talked with some men who called.

the hearing on the first day in the past few days. I told him that I had a copy of the original given Mrs. Reagan to sign. It was read to me. Mrs. Reagan, I heard it read; I have a copy of the original paper in my possession. I had a copy of the original in which it was published. Here witness produced a copy of the Fall River Herald. The article was found and vouched for by Mrs. Reagan. She said it was the original written copy of the same. He identified it and read it. It was essentially a denial of the story. Witness said it was read to Mrs. Reagan, and she said that she thought she would sign it if the marshal would allow her. She did not sign it because the marshal refused to let her.

Q. Now, I believe the name of New York is New York.

A. "I reported the trial in Fall River." I recall the dates when Mrs. Reagan was asked to sign the paper and saw it read to her. I heard it read. I saw it read. I saw it read. Mrs. Reagan took the paper to Marshall Hilliard, and he said if she signed it, I would sign it.

Mrs. Mary E. Brigham, Fall River, was called to the stand. She said: "I know Lizzie Borden, and have known her all my life. We were lifelong friends. I visited her quite frequently. Mrs. Reagan told me one day after court, when we were in the master's room, about a quarrel between the two. I asked Mr. Buck, who was sitting in his hand, which he read to her. The two went out, and she came back mad. She said she was going to sign the paper, but that the marshal would not let her, but that she would rather leave her place than to stay where she had been lied about; that she told a lie, and there had been a quarrel."

EMMA BORDEN'S TESTIMONY.

Emma L. Borden, sister of Miss Lizzie Borden, next testified. She said: "I